

CBHL Charles Robert Long Award of Extraordinary Merit to Céline Arseneault

Céline Arseneault, botanist and librarian at the Montréal Botanical Garden, received the Charles Robert Long Award of Extraordinary Merit on May 2, 2014 from the Council on Botanical and Horticultural Libraries (CBHL).

The Charles Robert Long Award of Extraordinary Merit is the highest honor presented by CBHL. This honor was established to recognize outstanding service to CBHL and/or to the field of botanical and horticultural literature, information services and research. The award was presented to Arseneault during CBHL's annual meeting hosted by the Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden in Richmond, Virginia.

Arseneault earned a bachelor degree in biology and a master's degree in library science from the Université de Montréal and continued her studies in the industrial engineering Ph. D. program at École Polytechnique de Montréal. She has been an active CBHL member since 1981, serving as president of the organization in 2000-2001, as a member of numerous committees, a host of two annual meetings in Montreal, a frequent presenter at the annual meeting and the CBHL webmaster since 2002. This award recognizes Arseneault's extraordinary service to CBHL for her significant contributions to the health and vitality of CBHL by developing the CBHL website, her deep commitment to and passion for the organization, her willingness to welcome and mentor new members, her knowledge of cutting edge information management technology and for advancing the Montréal Botanical Garden Library into an essential hub of activity, learning, and documentation.

An outstanding advocate for libraries, collections and gardens, she is a frequent speaker and has published numerous articles. Her efforts have advanced the development of botanical and horticultural libraries through her sharing of knowledge and information with a greater community.

CBHL is the leading professional organization in the field of botanical and horticultural information services. It recognizes the crucial importance of collecting, preserving, and making accessible the accumulated knowledge about plants for present and future generation. For more information, visit <http://www.cbhl.net>.

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